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Dear Ms. Everitt:

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing hereby withdraws its 1115 Waiver for Family Planning. The Department is currently undergoing a CMS audit of its family planning expenditures. Additionally, it has recently been advised by CMS of a \$2,564,667 disallowance of federal financial participation for submitted family planning expenditures. The Department cannot risk the substantial financial exposure involved with family planning funds and, therefore, will not increase its involvement in the family planning area.

Your attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely,

/s/

Vivianne M. Chaumont
Director
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cc: Karen Reinertson
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